



Newsletter of the Peoria Area Music Teachers Association February 2013

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**TECHNOLOGY IN THE STUDIO
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2013
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
10:00 A.M.**

PAMTA member, **Rebecca Gebbink**, will share how she incorporates various aspects of “technology” in the piano studio. She will focus on uses during lessons such as audio and video recording, as well as using YouTube. In addition, she will discuss technology for independent use in the studio, and managing a private music studio.

SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

The competition for this year has been cancelled due to the lack of a minimum number of entrants.

AIM

AIM PERFORMANCE EXAMS are on March 16th and 17th. Registrations are due at the February 25th PAMTA meeting or they can be mailed to AIM chairman, Pam Eyerly, any time before the 25th. Besides the *Enrollment Forms*, teachers need to submit a *Performance Rating Sheet* for each of their students, *Repertoire Source Sheets* for each student’s music choices, and the *Teacher Sign-Up Form* for helping on AIM days. Exams are \$8.00 per student. There is a \$5.00 charge per medal for each student who is new to AIM. Please print students’ names clearly as that is how the student’s name will appear on their certificate. Please note that students who are participating in the Sonata/Sonatina Festival may use their piece as one of their AIM pieces. Use the piece for the appropriate music period that it is in. If you have any questions, please contact Pam. Please have all your paperwork and checks in by the due date.

RECITALS

The **Honors Recital** is coming up on April 28th at 2:00 p.m. at First Christian Church. Please submit your registration for students by April 14th to Rebecca Gebbink. You are encouraged to register them online, but you may mail registrations also to Becky.

MEMBER NEWS

Myrna Bietz, pianist, will again join the Heart of Illinois Woodwind quintet when they play Beethoven's "Quintet in E Flat Major, Op. 16" in concert at Eureka College's McCallister Hall Chapel on March 5th at 7:30 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

There are some changes in some of our upcoming meetings. For March, the meeting will be held at the Piano Gallery on Brandywine Drive. Members are asked to play their favorite jazz piece, so be thinking about what you would like to play. For April, since we will not be doing Monster Concert music, another option is in the works, which will be announced in the next newsletter. And we now have a place chosen for the May luncheon: Sazani's on Route 29. It will be at 11:00 on May 20th.

For those of you interested in the flute, Kyle Dzapu, principal flute of the Peoria Symphony Orchestra, will be giving a Master Class, on Tuesday, May 12th at 6:30 at First Federated Church.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 28, 2013 PAMTA MEETING FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The meeting opened at 10:05 a.m. with President Janet Dickerson presiding. There were 17 members present.

The minutes of the November 27, 2013 meeting were approved as read.

Janet read the November/December 2012 Treasurer's report. (The report is on file if anyone wishes to read it).

Becky Gebbink reported that the recital at the Piano Gallery had 12 participants and lasted 30 minutes. The facility can seat 150. The recital went well and approximately 50 seats were filled. The instrument was a 7 foot Yamaha Grand set on a small stage. Honors Recital will be April 28th at 2:00 p.m. at First Christian Church.

Pam Eyerly mentioned that AIM Performance enrollment forms are due at next month's meeting at the very latest.

Old Business: Janet announced there will be no Monster Concert next year due to lack of a chair. It was discussed what to do then for the April meeting since that is when Monster Concert music was going to be played.

New Business: Janet read a letter from ISMTA about ASCAP fees that were charged to some of the Gateway teachers. The ASCAP number is 1-888-610-8087. Speak to Katie Bokunic in regard to getting an exemption from fees.

Janet then read a letter from MTNA about the Super Storm Sandy Recovery Fund. Doreve Alde-Cridlebaugh moved that we send \$100 to the fund which was seconded by Tracey Beckner. Doreve then amended the motion to \$200 which was also seconded by Tracey. The amended motion carried. Janet will direct our treasurer to send the check.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20, but was then reopened at 10:22 for information about the upcoming Sonata/Sonatina Festival. Sue Twitty reported that the volunteer meeting would be at 8:00 that day. E-mails will be sent soon to the individual teachers with student times and volunteer assignments. She reminded everyone to send the parents the guidelines. Winners will be announced at the end of each level of competition. There was discussion about what to call the festival in the future since it actually is a competition. Liz Dusenbery told about a group in Michigan where they have a festival in which some students choose to compete and others choose just to play. The meeting then adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

The program that followed was the performance by Liz Reed, Liz Dusenbery, Polly Steward-Sharp, Brenda Conroy, and Janet Dickerson of obscure pieces or pieces by obscure composers.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Reed
Secretary